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SUBJECT: PROSPECTIVE SALES OF SWEDISH AIR CRAFT (VIGGEN)

1. IN CONVERSATION FIRST WITH GENERAL BROWN AND THEN IN CONVERSATION WITH ME, GENERAL STIG SYNNERGREN, SUPREME COMMANDER SWEDISH ARMED FORCES, INDICATED ON OCTOBER 2 THAT BOTH THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND INDIA HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN PURCHASE OF THE SAAB-SCANIA VIGGEN. THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT HAS ADOPTED, HE SAID, A "PASSIVE ATTITUDE" WHILE AWAITING A MORE SPECIFIC APPROACH BY THESE GOVERNMENTS.

2. GENERAL SYNNERGREN'S COMMENTS WERE MADE IN CLEAR RECOGNITION THAT SUCH A SALE WOULD DEPEND ON U.S. SUPPORT, DUE TO THE QUANTITY AND QUALITY OF U.S. EQUIPMENT ON THIS AIRCRAFT. I AM CERTAIN HE UNDERSTANDS WE MAY DESIRE THAT A SUITABLY MODIFIED AIRCRAFT BE OFFERED FOR SALE.

3. GENERAL SYNNERGREN ALSO MENTIONED THE UPCOMING SALE OF EIGHT DRAGEN AIRCRAFT TO THE FINNS AT WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS A VERY REASONABLE PRICE. ALONG WITH THESE EIGHT AIRCRAFT WOULD GO COMPLETE LOGISTIC SUPPORT.

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4. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS WITH

REGARD TO THESE PARTICULAR POTENTIAL SALES.
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